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PART I.

IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT.

Teaching Commercial Subjects in High Schools.

READ—

Government Order No. E. 6343-5—Edn. 561-23-23, dated 6th June 1924, passing orders regarding the revision of the Secondary School-Leaving Certificate Courses and curricula.

2. Government Order No. E. 3628-30—Edn. 269-23-24, dated 27th December 1924, sanctioning the opening of Commercial classes in one or two more High Schools in the State and the scale of establishment and other charges for each.

3. Letter No. H. C. 30—24-25, dated 9th July 1925, from the Inspector-General of Education, submitting proposals regarding arrangements to be made for teaching Commercial subjects under the revised Secondary School-Leaving Certificate Scheme in the different High Schools.

4. Letter No. H. C. 30—24-25, dated 13th July 1925, from the same officer, stating that in view of the urgency of the matter he has taken action in anticipation of Government sanction on the lines indicated in his letter read above and requesting approval to the same.

ORDER NO. E. 1762-63—EDN. 24-25-3, DATED 12TH OCTOBER 1925.

The revised Secondary School-Leaving Certificate Scheme approved in the Government Order dated 6th June 1924 read above provides for Vocational Courses in the following three groups of Commercial subjects :—

(i) Book-keeping and Commercial Accounts.
(ii) Business Correspondence, Simple Precis and Type-writing.
(iii) Short-hand and Type-writing.

2. The Inspector-General states that on careful examination of the question of introducing Commercial subjects in the High Schools he has come to the conclusion that a readjustment of the existing provision for the teaching of Commercial subjects in High Schools is necessary and that subject No. (iii) is not suitable for the boys and he proposes to make provision for the teaching of the Commercial subjects in the several High Schools as shown below :—

(i) Book-keeping and Commercial Accounts to be provided in the following 9 High Schools :—

1. Maharaja's Collegiate High School, Mysore.
2. Government Collegiate High School, Bangalore.
3. Collegiate High School, Tumkur.
4. Do Shimoga.
5. Government High School, Hassan.
6. Do Kolar.
7. Do Chikmagalur.
8. Do Davangere.
9. Do Channapatna.

(ii) Business Correspondence, Simple Precis and Type-writing to be taught in the High Schools at Mysore, Bangalore and Tumkur.

(iii) Short-hand and Type-writing to be taught temporarily during the current academic year only in the High School, Tumkur, where a beginning was made last year and a change of subject would cause inconvenience to the VI Form class.

3. He states further that there are full-time Commercial teachers in all the High Schools except in Bangalore and Mysore who can teach subject (i) within the school hours without any extra cost, and that provision will have to be made for teaching this subject only in the two High Schools at Mysore and Bangalore. It is stated that the large number of students in each of these two schools taking up commercial subjects fully justifies the appointment of a full-time teacher to teach the entire course under subject No. (i) and the business correspondence and precis writing portion of subject No. (ii). In regard to arrangements for teaching type-writing under subject (ii), the Inspector-General states that as a large number of type-writers will be required for teaching this subject, it is proposed to depute a teacher of the Government Commercial Schools at Bangalore and Mysore to teach type-writing to the High School boys outside the Commercial School hours but within the High School hours, using the Commercial School type-writers, the teachers being given an allowance of Rs. 15 each per mensem and a contingent grant of Rs. 50 per annum being given to the Commercial Schools for meeting the extra wear and tear of type-writer ribbons, etc. With the above arrangement, the allowance of Rs. 20 each per mensem now given to the Head Masters of the two Government Commercial Schools is proposed to be discontinued.

4. The extra cost of the foregoing proposals amounts to Rs. 1,580 per annum as shown below :—

	Rs.
Two Commercial teachers in grade Rs. 50–5–75 Rs. 66 2/3 × 2 × 12.	1,600
Two allowances at Rs. 15 per mensem Rs. 15 × 2 × 12 ...	360
Contingent grant at Rs. 50 per annum for each of the two Commercial Schools ...	100
Total ...	2,060
Deduct the 2 allowances of Rs. 20 each now granted to the Head Masters of the two Commercial Schools	480
Total ...	1,580

The additional expenditure during the current year is stated to be only Rs. 1,180.

5. On a careful consideration of the matter, Government are pleased to sanction the proposals of the Inspector-General and approve also of his action in having taken necessary steps for giving effect to the same. The Commercial subjects to be taught in the several High Schools, the facilities already available and those newly created for the purpose are shown in the appended statement.

6. The cost during the current year will, as proposed, be met out of the provision of Rs. 2,000 for teaching commercial subjects under "26 Education, High School Education High Schools for boys" in the current year's budget.

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